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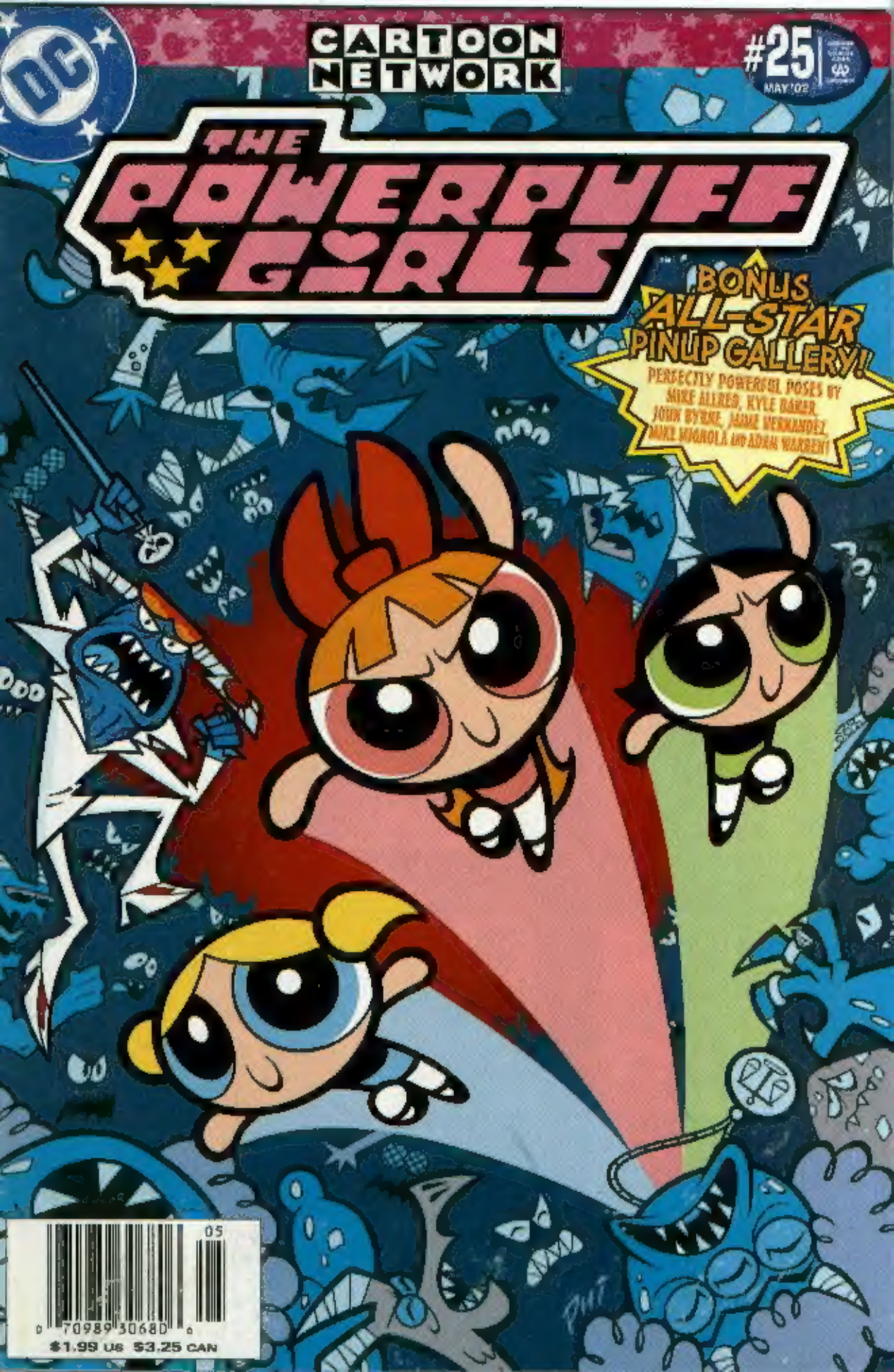
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THE POWERPUFF GIRLS

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ALL-STAR
PINUP GALLERY!

PERFECTLY POWERFUL POSES BY
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JOHN BYRNE, JAMIE HERNANDEZ,
MIKE MIGNOLA AND ADAM WARREN!



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THE CITY OF
TOWNSVILLE...



...LOVES THE
NIGHTLIFE!



BUT NOT THE BOOGIE...

...BOOGIE MAN, THAT IS!

LITE FRITE

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JENNA GARCIA—LETTERER
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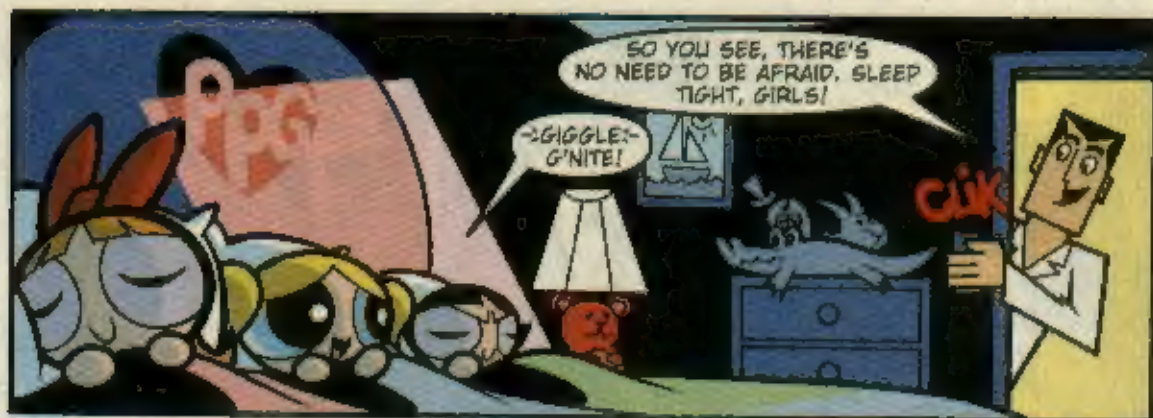
MAN,
IT IS A SAD
STATE OF AFFAIRS
WHEN NIGHT TIME
CAN'T BE DARK
NO MORE!

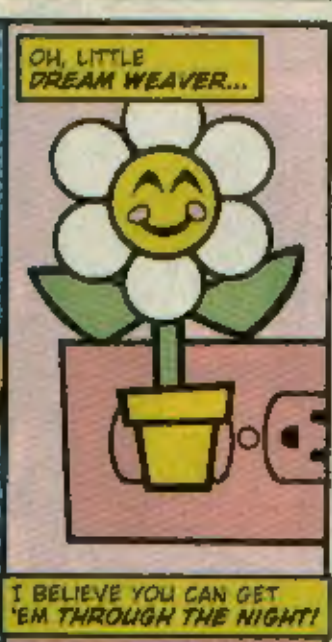
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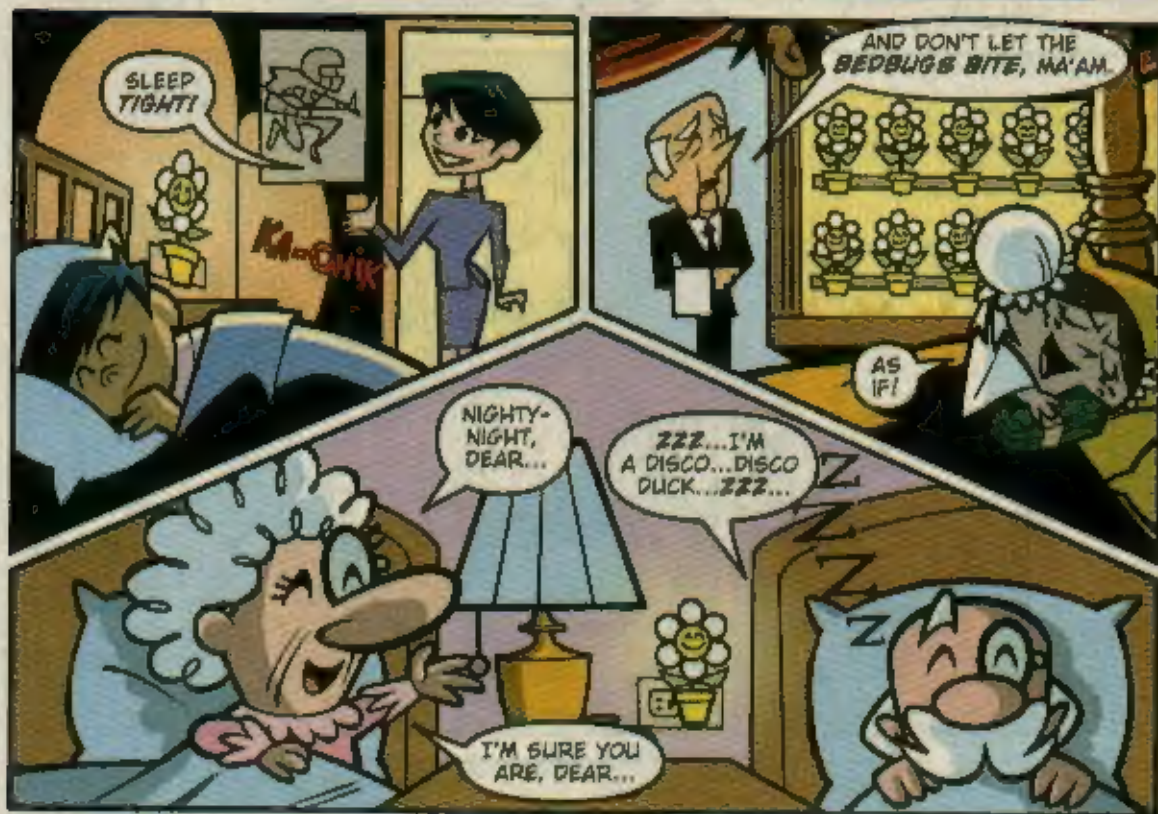
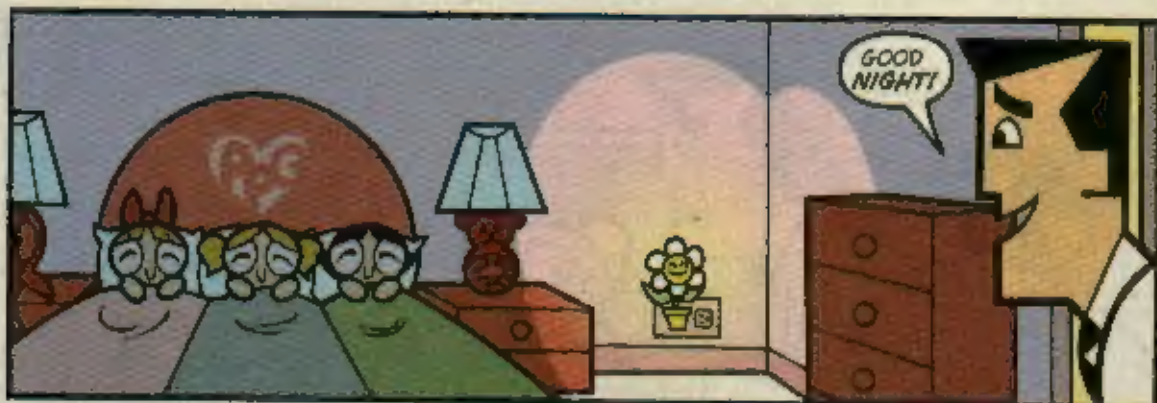
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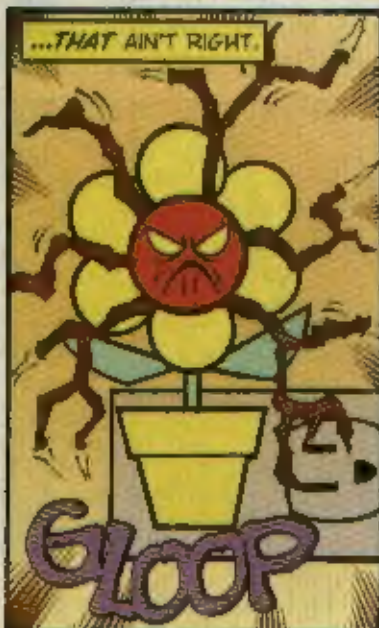
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SUNNY, FUNNY FELLOW...



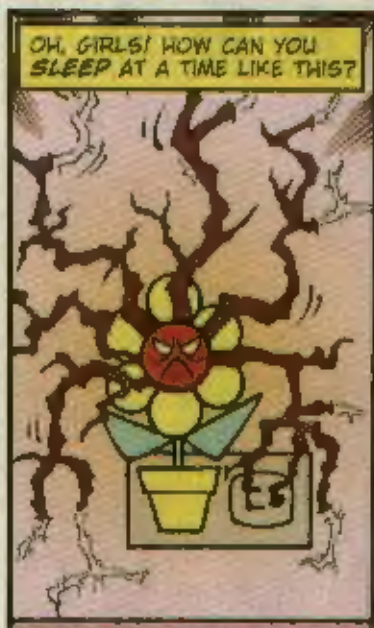
...WHOA...



...THAT AIN'T RIGHT.



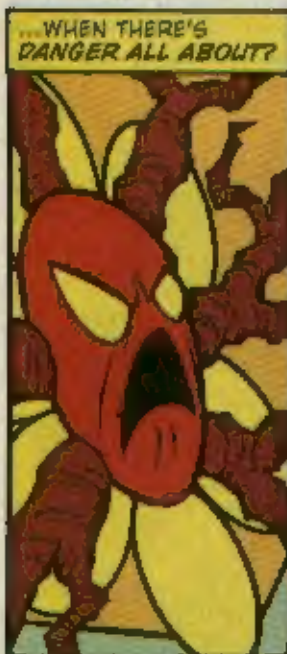
OH, GIRLS! HOW CAN YOU
SLEEP AT A TIME LIKE THIS?



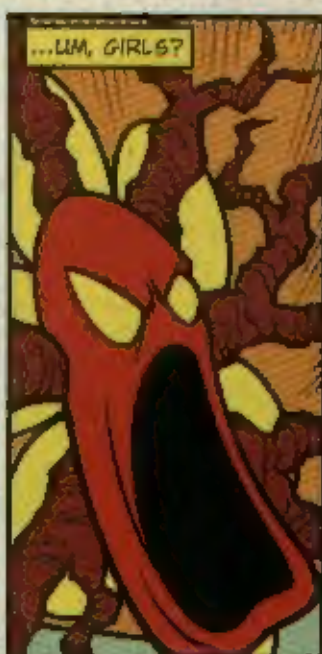
AREN'T YOU THE GIRLS
WHO WON'T COP OUT...



...WHEN THERE'S
DANGER ALL ABOUT?

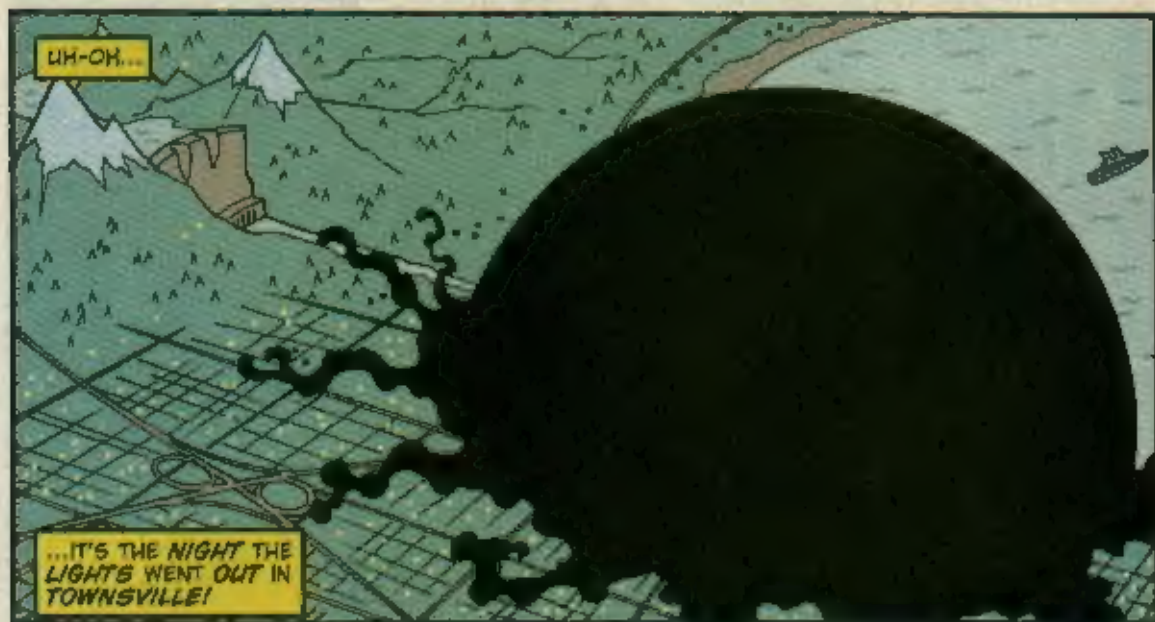


...UM, GIRLS?

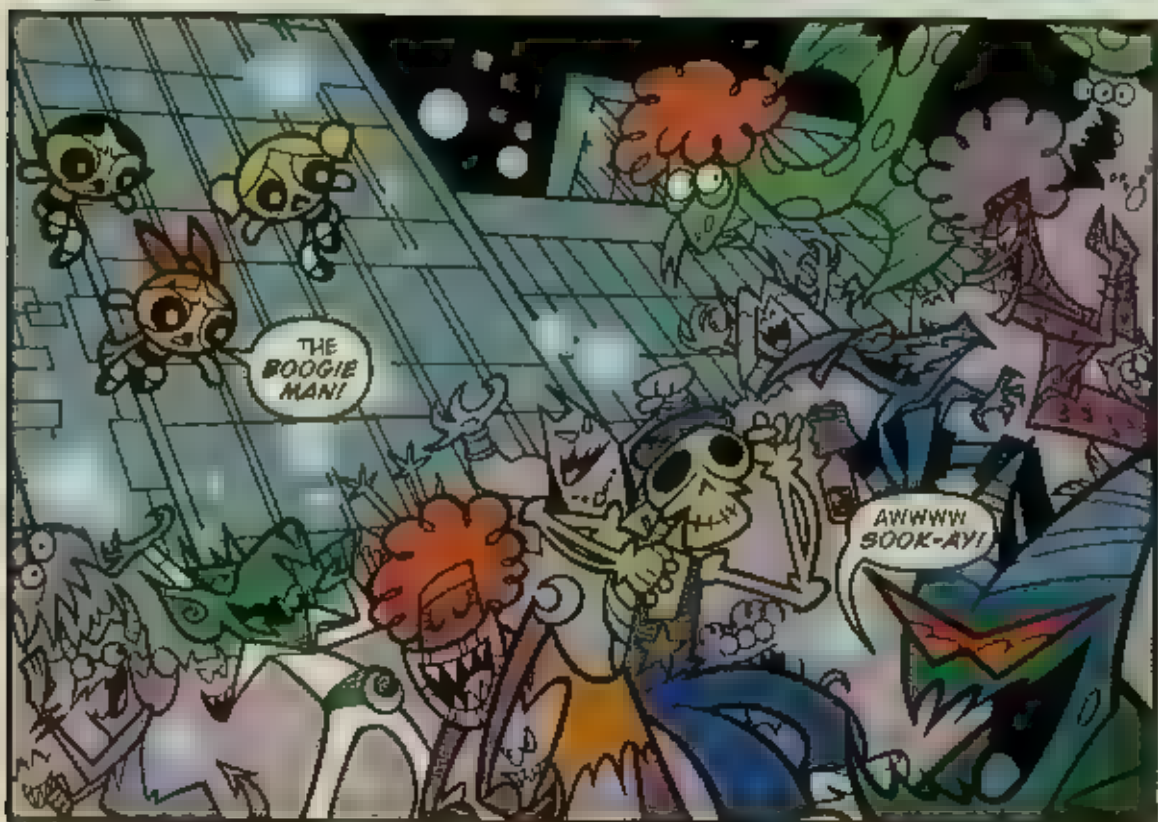
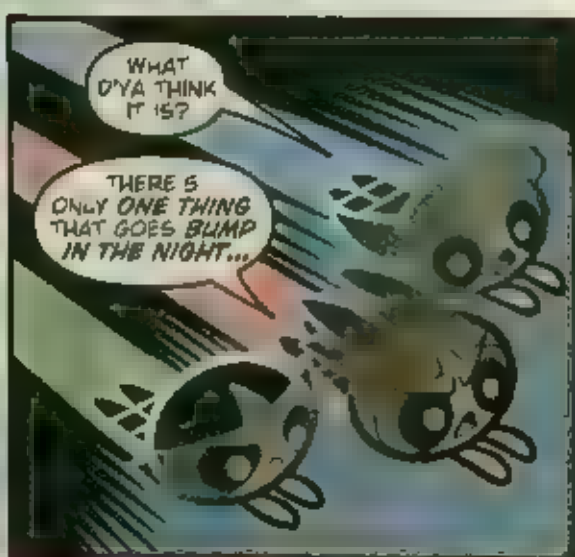


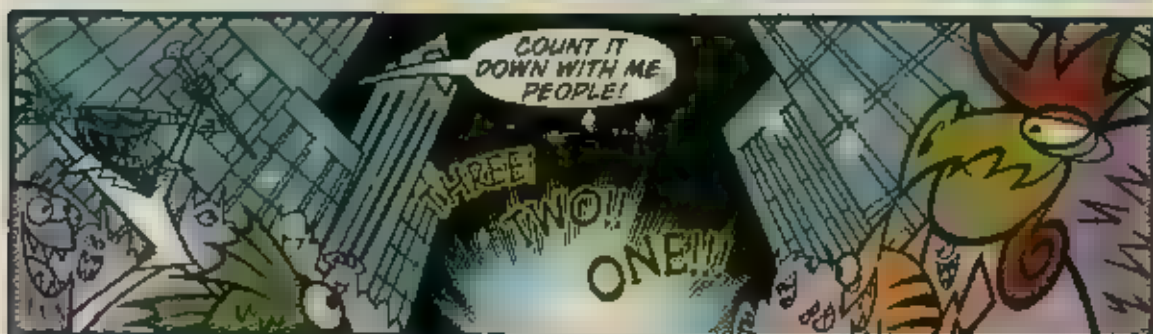
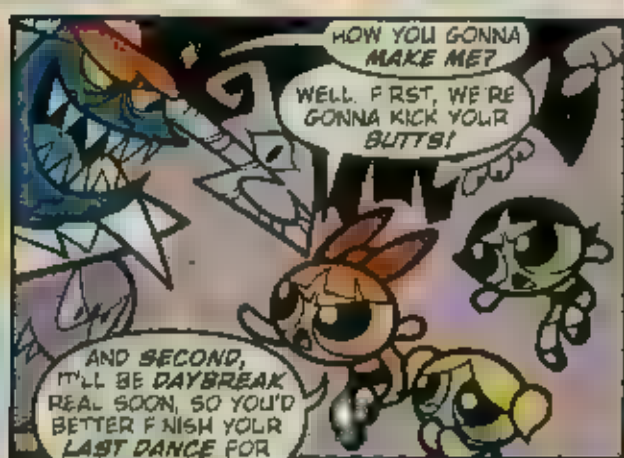
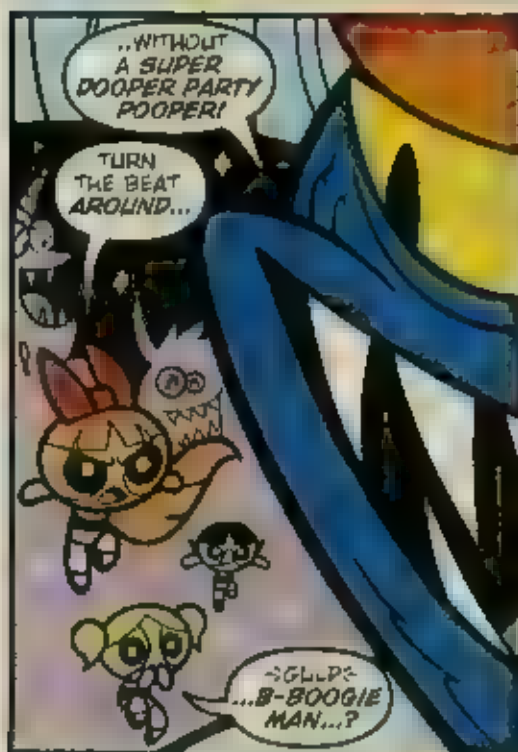
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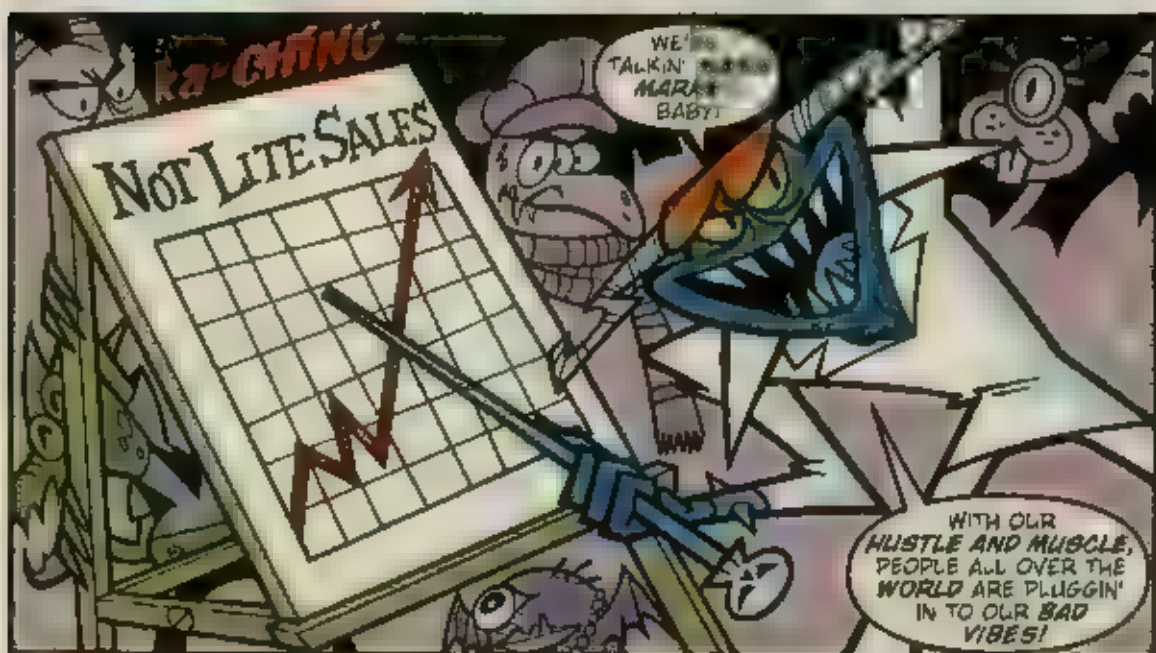
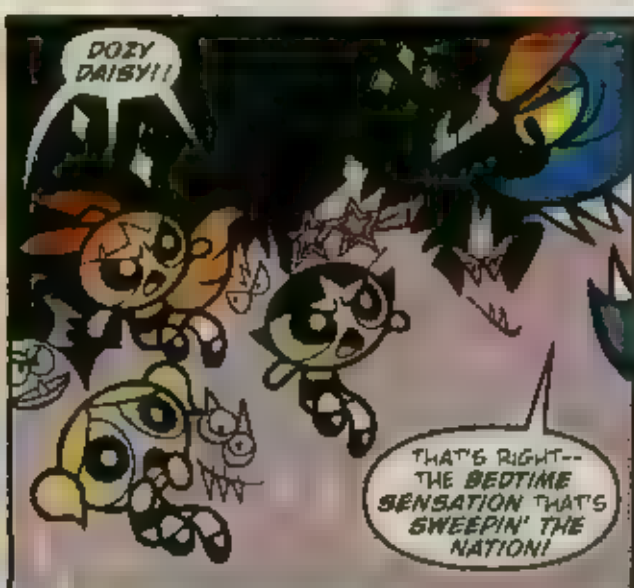
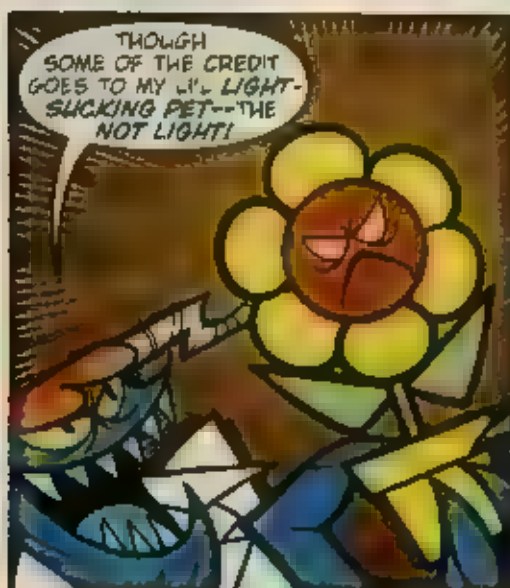


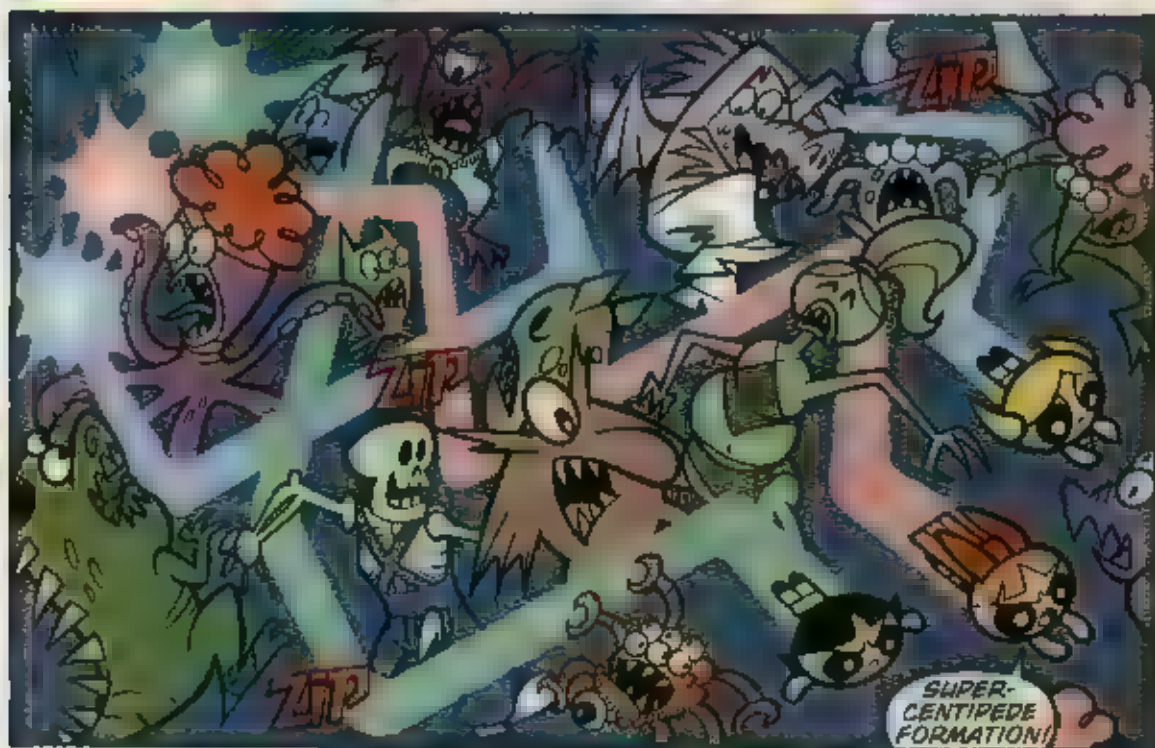
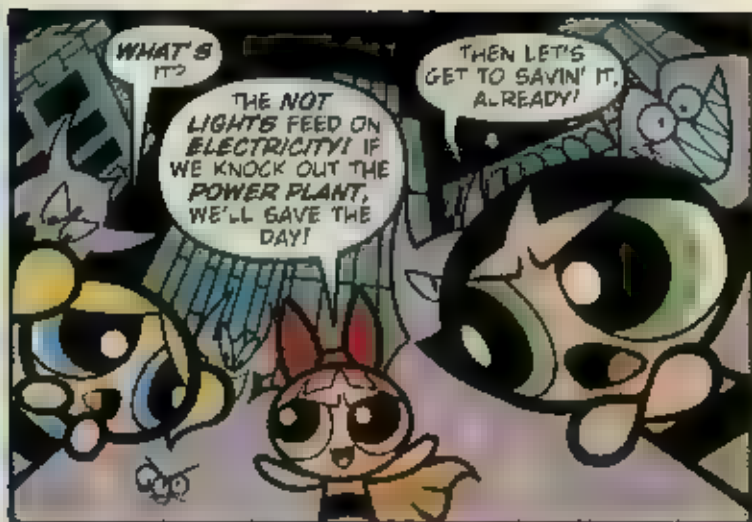


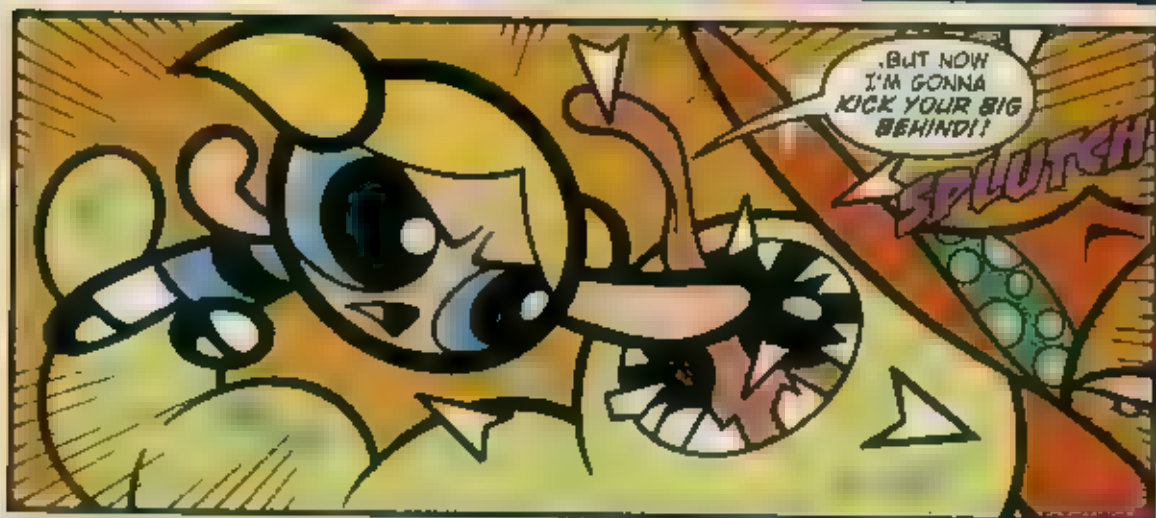
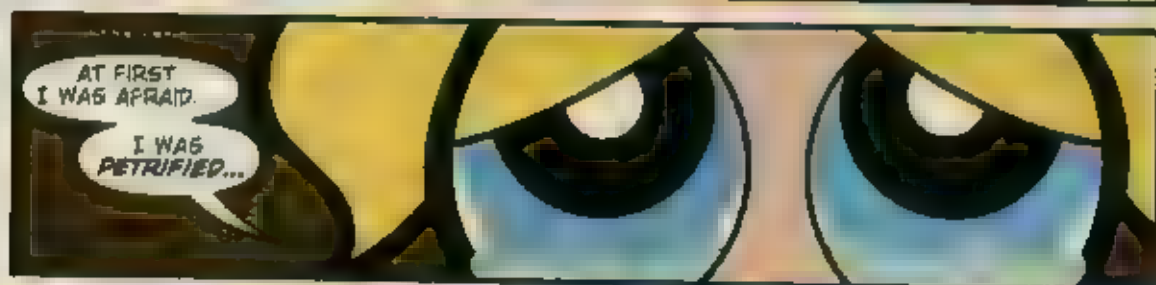
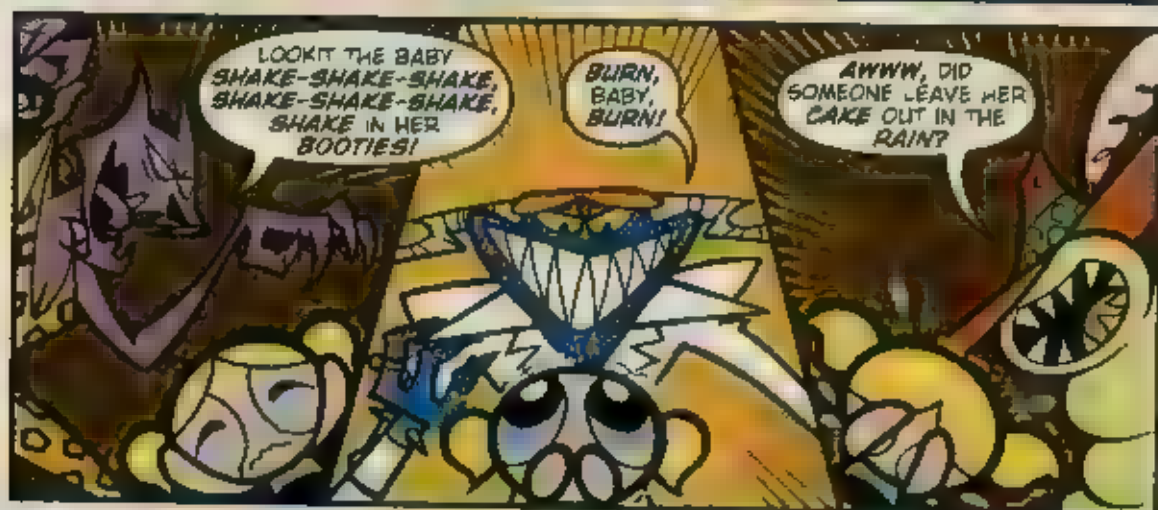
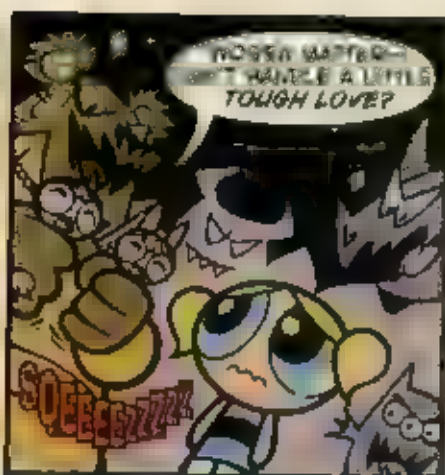


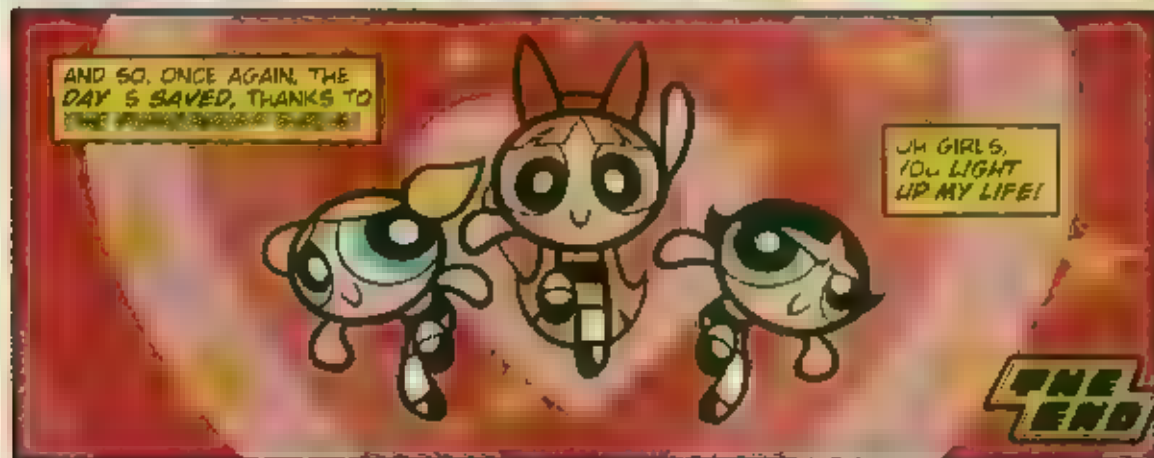
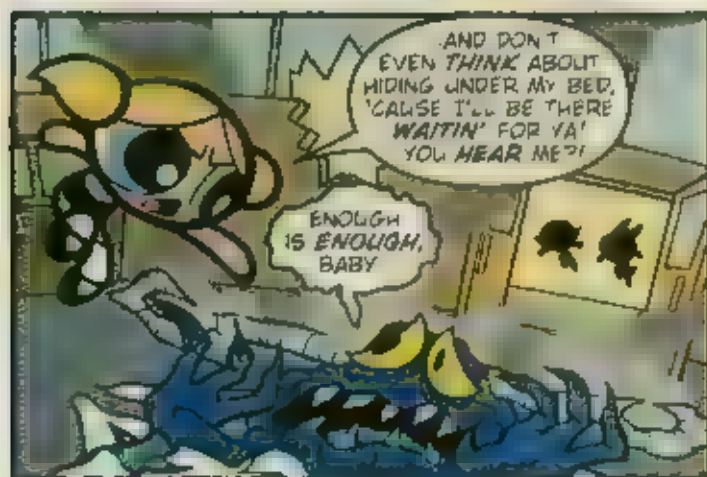
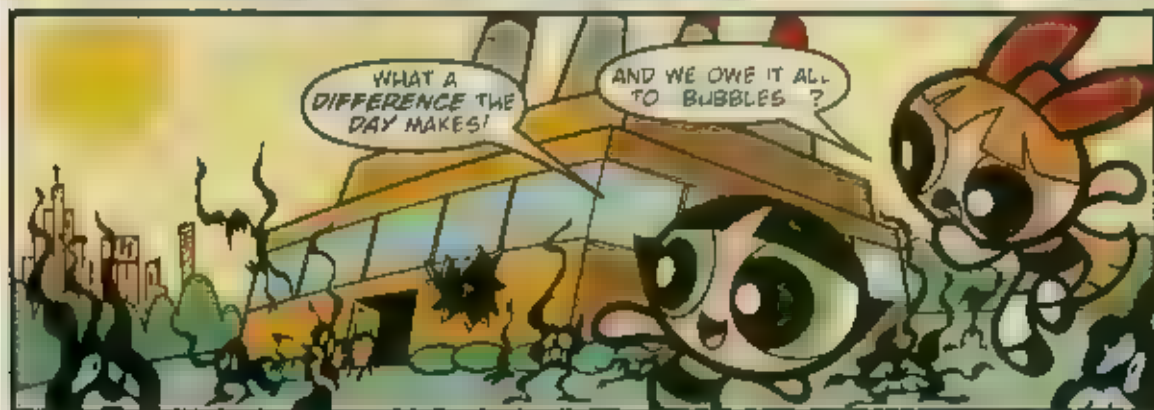
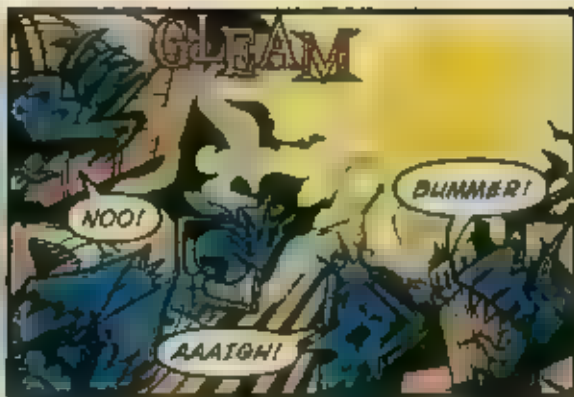
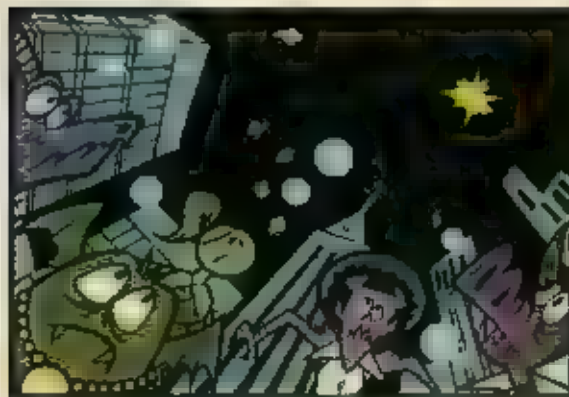












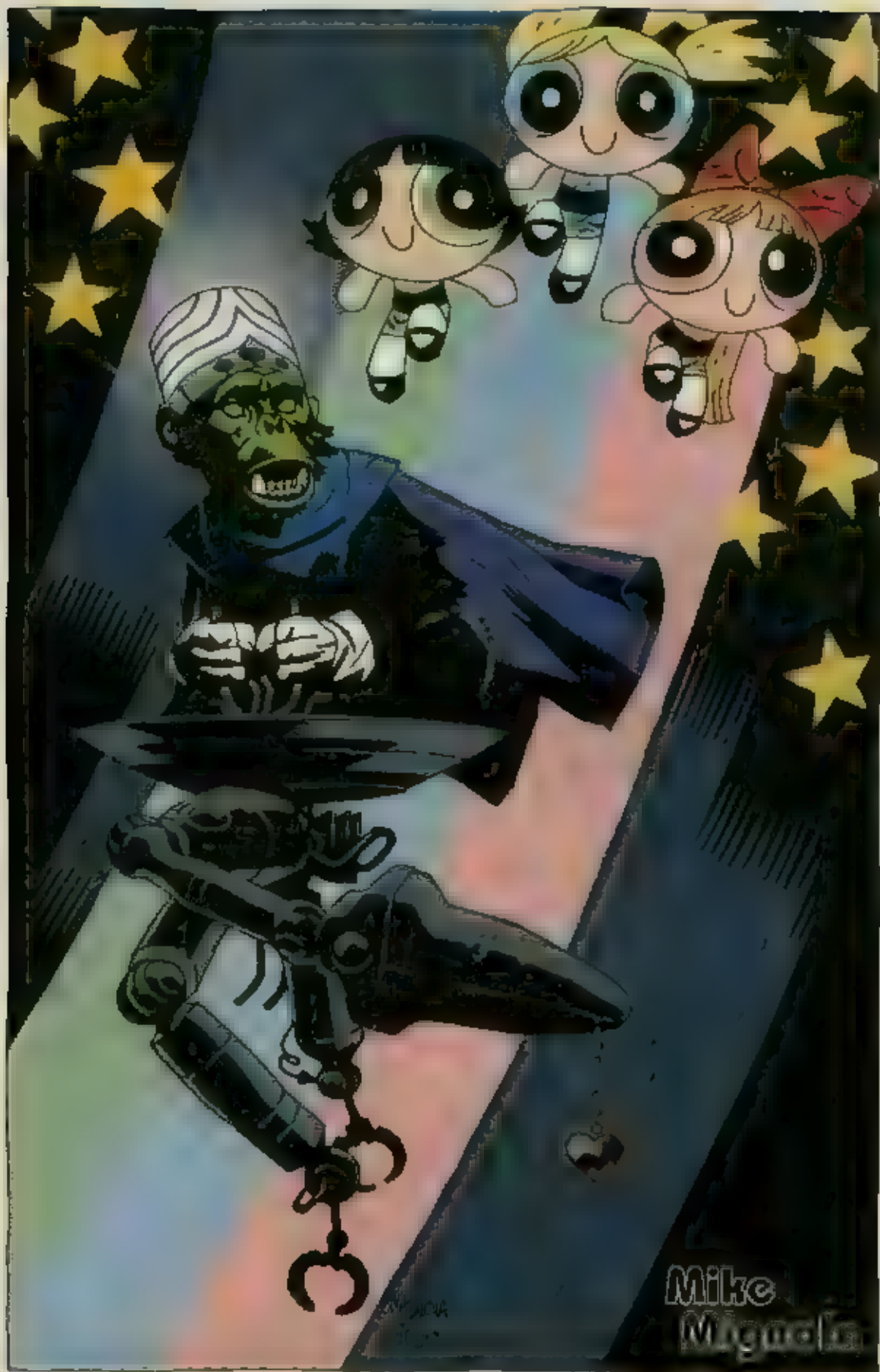


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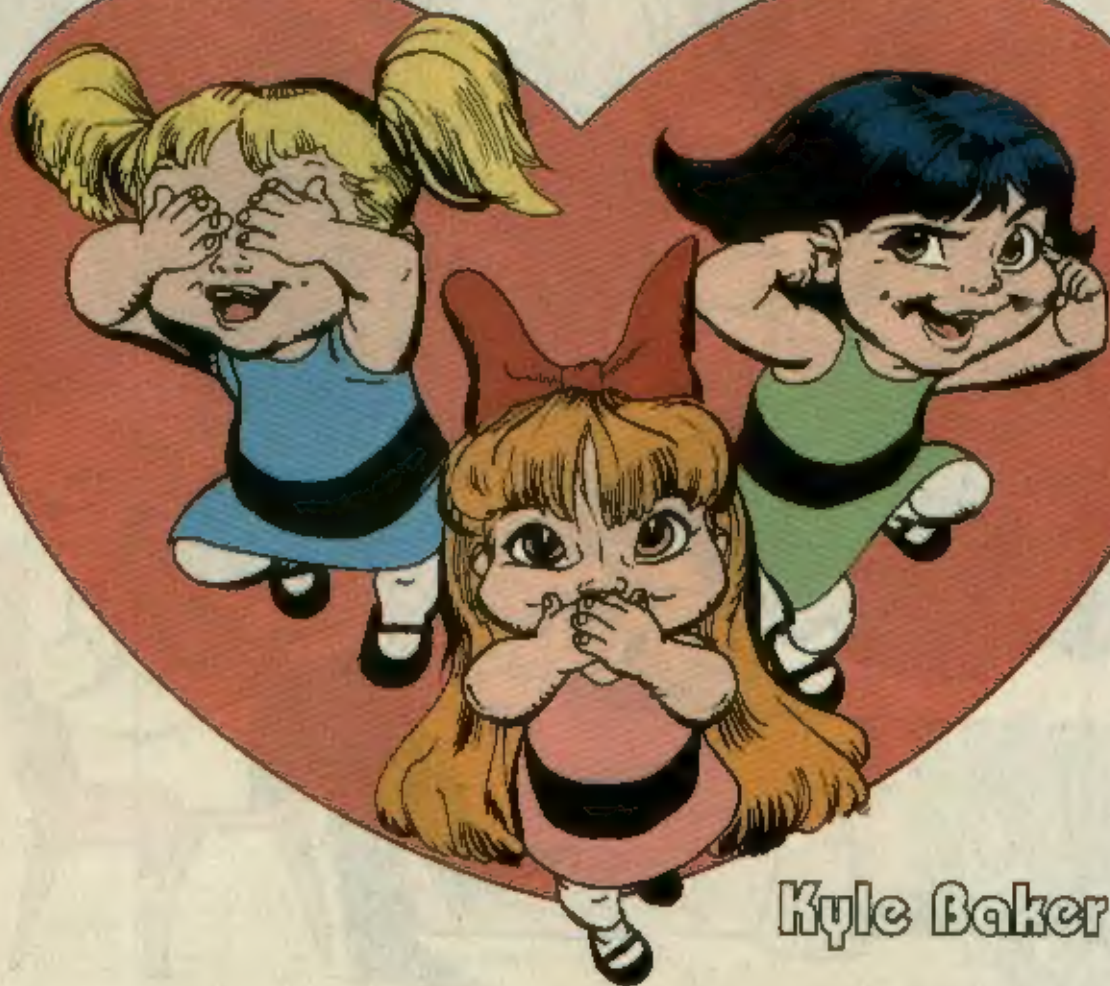
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Adam Warren

FIGHT EVIL!



Kyle Baker



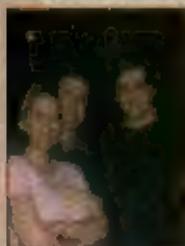
John
Byrne

SUGAR & SPICE

This is 10 25 issues of POWERPUFF GIRLS. Can you believe it? My, how time flies — and the best is yet to come.

This issue we've invited a few friends — comic legends Mike Mignola, John Byrne, Jaime Hernandez, Adam Warren, Mike Allred, and Kyle Baker — to help celebrate this special event. Thank you, all, for your unique visions of the Powerpuff Girls.

We thought we'd do a little something different this month and give you a few "fun facts" about some of the talented people behind your favorite comic — including, of course, who their favorite Powerpuff is.

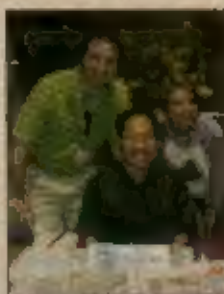


Jen, Sean, and Craig at the 2000 San Diego Comic-Con.

The POWERPUFF GIRLS comic wouldn't be possible without the creative genius of the Girls' creator, **Craig McCracken**. Contrary to popular belief that they're based on the look of Japanese anime, he actually based them on the "big eyes" paintings of Margaret and Walter Keane. Their personalities are based on contrasts between tough and cute: Buttercup is tough. Bubbles is cute. And Blossom is the perfect balance of tough and cute. We were wondering if Craig has a favorite Powerpuff Girl, but that's like asking Professor Utonium to pick his favorite.

Jennifer Moore and Sean Carolan have written for almost all of our titles — POWERPUFF GIRLS, CARTOON CARTOONS, ANIMANIACS, DEXTER'S LABORATORY and LOONEY TUNES. Sean and Jen met at Rutgers College radio station WRSU, where they were members of a comedy troupe called Hub City Spoke Repair. Since then Sean and Jen have collaborated on many other projects, including writing for the WB show "Freakazoid." Jennifer's favorite Girl is Bubbles, because she relates to her naivete and optimism. Plus she claims they both can talk to animals (Jen's

specialty is ferret and opossum). As for Sean's favorite, well, let's just say it's Blossom, or else his older daughter Alex will have unkind words for him.



Jen, Sean & Phil at the 2001 San Diego Comic-Con.

Phil May has drawn more issues

than anyone. He's worked on many of the most memorable stories, including POWERPUFF GIRLS #1, "Squirrelly Bury," written by Jen and Sean. Cartoon Network loved it so much that it was made into an actual episode called "Stray Bullet." Phil's drawn regularly for DC since working on LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES. If, like us, you can't get enough of Phil's Powerpuff art, you may want to check out his website: <http://members.aol.com/vinkermoy/>. It has, among other things, his very first Powerpuff sample pages. Check it out. Phil loves to draw Blossom, but at the same time he can't get enough of Buttercup's aggressive attitude.

Abby Denson playing guitar in her band, Ms. Pakman.



If Craig had known **Abby Denson** before he created the Powerpuff Girls, you might think he based a few things on her. This multi-talented lady not only writes, but also draws and plays guitar. She even has a Powerpuff Girls book, "Cover Up," coming out from Scholastic Inc. this spring! On top of that Abby is in not just one, but two bands, a punk-rockin' all-girl band called Ms. Pakman and an electronic-rock-punk band called Let's Audio. It's not hard to believe that Abby's fave is Buttercup!

This month's cover: Phil May and Dave Targum — who else?



Mike DeCarlo hangs out with his favorite girl, Bubbles.



Mike DeCarlo has inked at least half of every issue. He's been working in comics since 1979; that's probably why we've trusted him to work on all of the kid's titles including SCOOPY-DOO, CARTOON CARTOONS, DEXTER'S LABORATORY and LOONEY TUNES. His past credits also include GREEN LANTERN, TEEN TITANS and BATMAN. His favorite Powerpuff Girl is Bubbles 'cause she reminds him of his daughter, Amelia.

POWERPUFF GIRLS wouldn't be complete without the coloring wizardry of Dave Targum. We feel that he captures the essence of the show perfectly. And why shouldn't he? He has a vast amount of experience, from running his own comic-book company to working on staff at DC Comics for ten years. He'll always make sure that the future's bright for the Girls. He doesn't have a favorite Powerpuff Girl, but he does have a special fondness for the Mayor.

Lastly, a bow to all of the other amazing people who helped us reach this milestone: Dana Kurtin, Heidi MacDonald, Amy Rogers, Chris Savino, Bill Alger, Ricardo Garcia Fuentes, Stephanie Gladden, Chris Cook, Trina Robbins, Ian Boothby, Brett Lewis, Bobbi Weiss, Frank Strom, Cindy Morrow, Andrew Pepoy, Ivan Velez, John Rozum, Dan Frega, Susan Daigle-Leach, WildStorm Productions and Janice Chiang. Here's to another 25 issues of Bubble-icious, Butter-ific and Blossom-azing excitement!

— Harvey Richards



next issue:

Go scouting with the Powerpuff Girls in this action-packed, camping-and-cookie-peddling issue — but watch out for two of the Girls' nastiest foes! By Abby Denson, Sean Carolan & Jennifer Moore; art by Ricardo Garcia Fuentes, Bill Alger & Mike DeCarlo; cover by Phil May.

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